## **Tobacco Control Program Resource Guide**

## **Secondhand Smoke Materials**

#### Hurting Others

Exposure to secondhand smoke causes over 3,000 deaths from lung cancer and 35,000-40,000 deaths from heart disease in non-smokers each year

Thousands of respiratory tract infections, hospitalizations, asthma attacks, and ear infections in children are associated with SHS each year.

#### More Than an Annoyance

According to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), smoking kills over 400,000 Americans every year. The chart below approximates the deaths attributable to cigarette smoking for each year from 1995-1999.



Some people argue that non-smoking areas with proper ventilation will take care of the problem of secondhand smoke.

The fact remains that there is no safe level of exposure. No ventilation system can eliminate health risks due to secondhand smoke.

Science shows the only solution to address the health risk of SHS is smoke-free air.

#### The Bottom Line

What this all adds up to is that secondhand smoke is a significant health hazard. Smoking is optional, breathing is not.

#### The Hidden Dangers



#### What is Secondhand Smoke?

Secondhand smoke (SHS) is the smoke that is inhaled from other people's tobacco smoke from cigarettes, pipes, or cigars.

There are two kinds of SHS that a person can breathe in:

- Mainstream Smoke the smoke exhaled by a smoker
- · Sidestream Smoke the smoke from the burning tip of a cigarette

Other common names for secondhand smoke (SHS) include environmental tobacco smoke (ETS) and passive smoke.

Secondhand smoke contains over 4,000 chemicals. Of these chemicals, 200 are poisons and 43 are carcinogens. These carcinogens are known to cause cancer in humans and animals and many are strong irritants

Some well-known ingredients of cigarette smoke include:

- Formaldehyde
- Cyanide Arsenic
- Carbon Monoxide
- · Methane
- Benzene
- + Radioactive Polonium-210

#### Top of the Class

The Environmental Protection Agency classifies secondhand smoke as a Group A carcinogen, which means it is a known cause of lung cancer in humans.

Group A carcinogens are the most dangerous cancer-causing agents. There is no safe level of exposure to secondhand smoke.

#### SHS and Your Heart

Heart disease is by far the most significant health effect of breathing secondhand smoke.

According to the American Heart Association, constant exposure to SHS nearly doubles a nonsmoker's risk of having a heart attack.



Smoke-filled rooms can have up to six times the air pollution as a busy highway.

Once smoking has occurred in a room, it can take up to two weeks for nicotine to clear from the air

#### Additional Health Risks

Besides heart disease, the EPA states that repeated exposure to secondhand smoke over time can cause a number of health problems for adult nonsmokers: · Stroke

- Lung cancer
- · Nasal cancer
- · Aggravates asthma
- · Other respiratory diseases
- · Cervical cancer
- Miscarriages and low birth-weight babies

#### Health Risks for Children

A mother that smokes during or <u>after</u> her pregnancy can irreversibly impact her child's growth and development.

Children are especially vulnerable to the harmful effects of SHS, especially if smoking is allowed in the home

A few of the numerous health effects include:

- Asthma
- Bronchitis and pneumonia
- Far infections
- Lower respiratory tract infections & hospitalizations
- · Cancers and leukemia Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS)
- Adverse impact on learning and behavioral development

## **Resource Details**

Secondhand Smoke Brochure, 3.67"x8.5"

Audience: General

This brochure explains why secondhand smoke is more than a nuisance and lists all the negative health effects exposure to it can cause.

## Where to Order

Online: www.state.sd.us/doh/catalog.htm

Via email: DOH.INFO@state.sd.us

#### **Or through your local Tobacco Prevention Coordinator:**

Northeast Region- 605-884-3523

Southeast Region- 605-339-1199 ext 341





#### **Resource Details**

Tobacco-Free Building Laminated Indoor Sign, 8.5"x11" Audience: Worksites

This indoor sign is laminated for durability and can remind the public that a building is tobacco-free.

Smoke-Free Building Laminated Indoor Sign, 8.5'x11"
Audience: Worksites

This indoor sign is laminated for durability and can remind the public that a building is smoke-free.

#### Where to Order

Via email: DOH.INFO@state.sd.us

#### **Or through your local Tobacco Prevention Coordinator:**

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This is a Tobacco-Free Building

Thank You for Not Using Tobacco

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This is a Smoke-Free Building

Thank You for Not Using Tobacco

This is a smoke-free building

Thank you for not smoking

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#### **Resource Details**

Smoke-Free/ Tobacco Free Building Clings, 5'x7" Audience. Worksites

These clings can be posted on a window to give the public notice that a building is smoke-free/tobacco-free. (Please indicate the letter of the design you prefer.

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Western Region- 605-347-4467



#### **Resource Details**

Chronic Coffin Poster, 10'x19" Audience, General

This poster highlights the dangerous health risks associated with secondhand smoke.

#### Where to Order

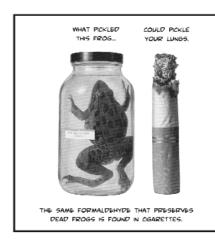
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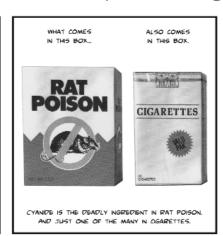
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# Ever wonder why there's no list of ingredients on a pack of cigarettes?







South Dakota Department of Health

# Tobacco smokes you.

## **Resource Details**

Additives Poster, 10'x19" Audience. Youth

This poster highlights the dangerous health risks associated with tobacco use.

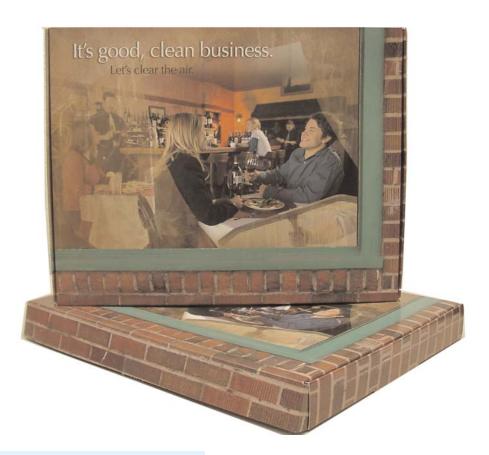
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## **Tobacco Free Business Kits**



### What's included:

Model policies for tobacco-free businesses Smoke-Free/Tobacco-Free Building Signs Smoke-Free/Tobacco-Free Window Clings QuitLine Promotional Materials to encourage employee cessation.

Information for ordering additional free resources

### Where to Order

Via email: DOH.INFO@state.sd.us

**Or through your local Tobacco Prevention Coordinator:** 

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## **Tobacco Policy Outdoor Signs Order Form**







THIS IS A
TOBACCO
FREE
PROPERTY
Thank you for your
cooperation



Quantity

**Order Information:** 

Quantity\_\_\_\_

Quantity\_\_\_\_

Quantity\_\_\_\_

Quantity\_\_\_\_

(Please fill in the number of signs requested in the space above for each sign.)

Each sign is solid aluminum, 18" tall by 12" wide. Signs can be bolted to a wall or standard sign post. Posts are not included with order.

Contact Person:		
Phone:	 	
Email:	 	
Where will signs be posted	 	
Shipping Address: (please allow 4-6 weeks for delivery Name:		
Company:	 	
Street Address:	 	
City, SD, Zip		

Fax completed form to (605) 773-5509 or mail to: South Dakota Department of Health
Tobacco Control Program
615 F. Fourth Street

615 E. Fourth Street Pierre, SD 57501

Questions? Email <u>DOH.INFO@state.sd.us</u> or call (605) 773-5393.